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FOREWORD

For 1999, Saskatchewan Provincial Parks experienced a 5.6 percent decrease in visitation and a slight increase in camping use of .6 percent over 1998. There were 2,482,603 visitors to provincial parks in 1999. These figures do not include visitation to provincial recreation sites; many of these are leased and visitation figures are not readily available.

With only a moderate decline in park use, the year was extremely good since 1998 was a banner year and only a slight drop from that is still positive. It is interesting to note that even though the weather was generally cool and rainy for portions of June and July, campers were faithfully coming out. August was a sunny and warm month which was favourable for park use. There were no fire bans in 1999.

On a broader tourism note, Tourism Saskatchewan and the Canadian Tourism Council have recently stated that the prime motivator that brings our American neighbours to Canada is not the difference in our dollar value ... they are coming for the Canadian product. Tourism authorities advise us that most Americans do not even know there is a favourable exchange rate until they are in Canada, at which time they are influenced to stay longer or upgrade the quality of product.

Seasonal camping increased 6.5 percent while park entry permit sales decreased by 6.7 percent and participation in conducted visitor programs decreased 1.6 percent. There were no changes to park fees in 1999.

Many factors contributed to the positive showing of park use in 1999. They include sustained interest in camping; increased advertising and promotion of provincial parks; a strong emphasis on special events such as Canada Day, Parks Week and Saskatchewan Express; continued commitment to customer service training and delivery; a good variety in programming; good value in terms of the services which the public received; and continued American interest in the Canadian product.

Emphasis on increased partnerships and sponsorships with other organizations, such as the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool sponsorship of Saskatchewan Express, CTV Parks Quiz and radio partnerships is encouraging and promotes use and awareness of the provincial parks system.

The information contained in this report indicates that the public's interest in parks and camping is stablizing at a higher level after a period of declining visitation. Further research will be required to determine future trends.

Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management trusts that the reader will find this report to be of interest and value, and welcomes any comments that people may have on the report's contents.

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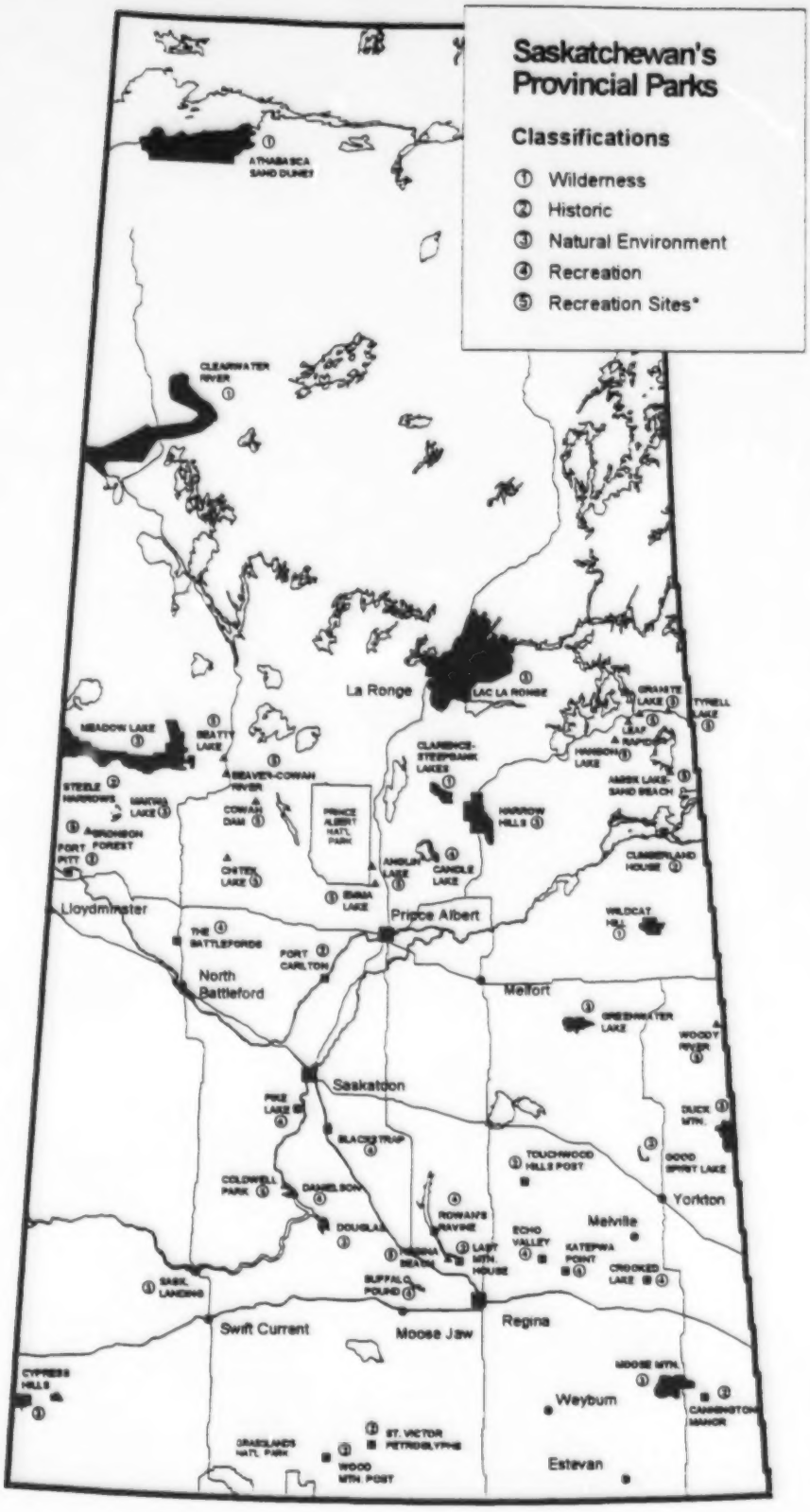


* Under The Parks Act (1986), there are four classifications for provincial parks. In addition there are three other types of park lands: protected areas, recreation sites and historic sites. Only recreation sites which have been included in this report are shown on the map

INTRODUCTION AND HIGHLIGHTS

This report is a statistical summary of the recorded use of Saskatchewan park lands for the 1999 summer operating season including the period May 20 (Victoria Day weekend) to September 6 (Labour Day weekend) inclusive, as well as mid-April to October 31 for camping activity, where this occurred.
The following highlights for 1999 summer park use have been summarized from individual sections of this report.

Attendance

- Visitation between April and September in 1999 was estimated to be 2,482,603 at the locations monitored. These figures indicate a decrease in visits of 5.6 percent from 1998.
- Revisions to the entry permit system in 1996, the subsequent required changes to the visitation calculation formula, and a recalculation of seasonal camper data in 1998 have all affected the estimation of visitation numbers. The department is confident that the overall visitation figures are realistic.
- Entry permits issued totalled 148,042 a decrease of 6.7 percent.

Campground Use

- Campground use was recorded at 21 provincial parks and 13 provincial recreation sites in 1999. Permit days remained stable at provincial parks, with an increase of .1 percent, and increased 6.6 percent at recreation sites. Overall camping permit days increased by .6 percent.
- The number of seasonal camping permits issued in 1999 increased by 6.5 percent .

Programs

- A total of 81,529 participants were estimated to have taken advantage of 2,006 conducted programs at natural environment and recreation parks and sites in 1999. This represents a decrease of 5.1 percent in participants and an increase of .2 percent in programs offered.
- In 1999, 21,943 visitors participated in ongoing programs offered at the 4 provincial historic parks with staff conducted programs. This is a 13.7 percent increase from 1998.

METHODOLOGY

Visitation Statistics

- Visitation estimates are derived from permit sales, supplemented by vehicle count information and actual person counts where permits are not consistently sold.
- Permit data are collected from the Cash Register Information System (CRIS) which records all transactions for visitor use in provincial parks, and the one recreation site which charges entry fees.
- At the 16 parks and 1 recreation site where entry permits are consistently sold, visitation is estimated using the following calculation method:

Total Visitor Days =
+ Day use visitor days
+ Camper visitor days
+ Cottage visitor days
+ Bus visitor days

Day Use Visitor Days =
+ Entry permit type * Average Length of Stay/Repeat Factor for each permit
  + Daily * 1
  + Three Day * 3
  + Weekly * 6
  + Transferable * 15
- Camping permit days + Seasonal permit days
* Average size group (estimated at 3 per the 1990 Visitor Survey and Entry Survey)

Estimated weekly use at 6

Camping permit days are subtracted from day use visitor days as each camper obtaining a camping permit must also obtain an entry permit; assumes one camping party per vehicle. Seasonal camping permit days are added back in as these campers do not purchase an entry permit.

Camping Permit Days = Reflects number of campsites used in any campground, including regular, reservation, self-registration, monthly and seasonal. Seasonal permit days calculated as follows:
+ Full seasonal permit days
  + Number of permits
  * 110 days
+ Discount seasonal permit days
  + Number of permits
  * 55 days

Camper Visitor Days =	+ Camping permit days * Average size camping group (varies per campground; derived from the 1990 Visitor Survey) + School group camping
Cottage Visitor Days =	Based on 40 visits to a cottage per season by a three-person party
Bus Visitors =	Based on 40 persons per bus entry permit, daily and annual

- At five locations, vehicle count data are transformed into visitor day estimates by using the factor of three visitors per vehicle. This figure is derived from The 1990 Entry Gate Survey. When traffic counter malfunctions occur, vehicle counts are estimated by parks staff.

- At four provincial historic parks visitation figures are gathered by actual person counts.

Entry Permit Data

Entry permit data are accessed through CRIS and the Revenue and Expenditure System (RES). Data are collected for each of the five types of entry permits issued.

Camping Permit Data

Camping statistics are derived primarily from camping permits issued by field staff through the CRIS system. A detailed camping permit analysis has not been undertaken since 1990.

Self-registration data are derived from campground revenue. While revenue figures allow for the calculation of permit days and estimates for occupancy figures, further data cannot be derived. It should be noted that the collection methodology for self-registration data may adversely affect the reliability of this data.

Program Statistics

Program use data are gathered by actual person counts at provincial historic parks and by estimates of program participants at the remaining programs offered throughout the parks system. Given the collection methodologies for program data, only data for provincial historic parks use can be considered reliable and consistent. Inclusion of other park program data provides information on program use. Inconsistencies in data collection also create challenges in data analysis.

PARK USE INDICATORS

PARKS SYSTEM YEAR OVER YEAR VISITATION

Table 1 provides a summary of park visitation for the years 1995 to 1999. Approximately 2,482,603 visitors entered the parks system during the 1999 summer season at the locations monitored. Based on the data collected, the provincial parks system witnessed a 5.6 percent decrease in recorded visitation.

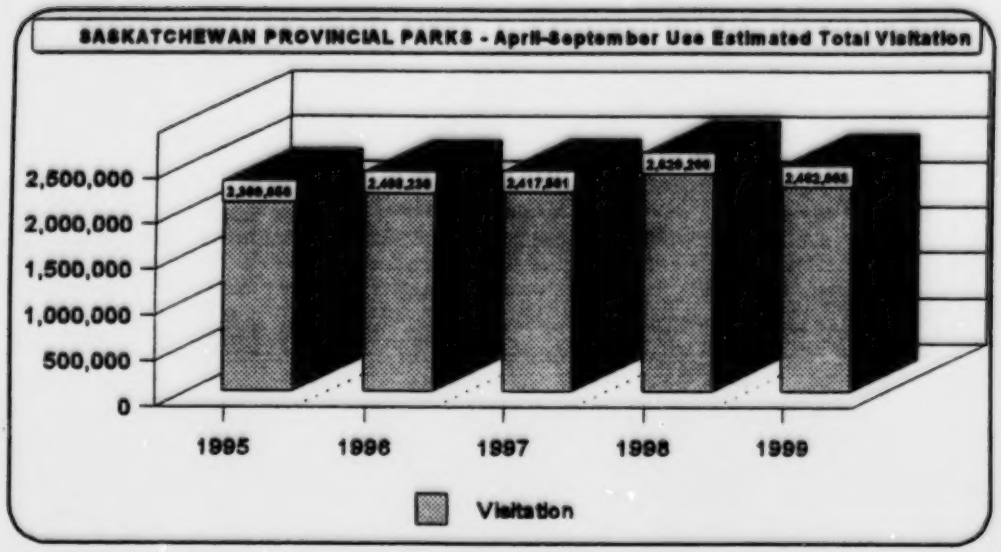
TABLE 1: SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCIAL PARKS - April-September Use
Estimated Total Visitation

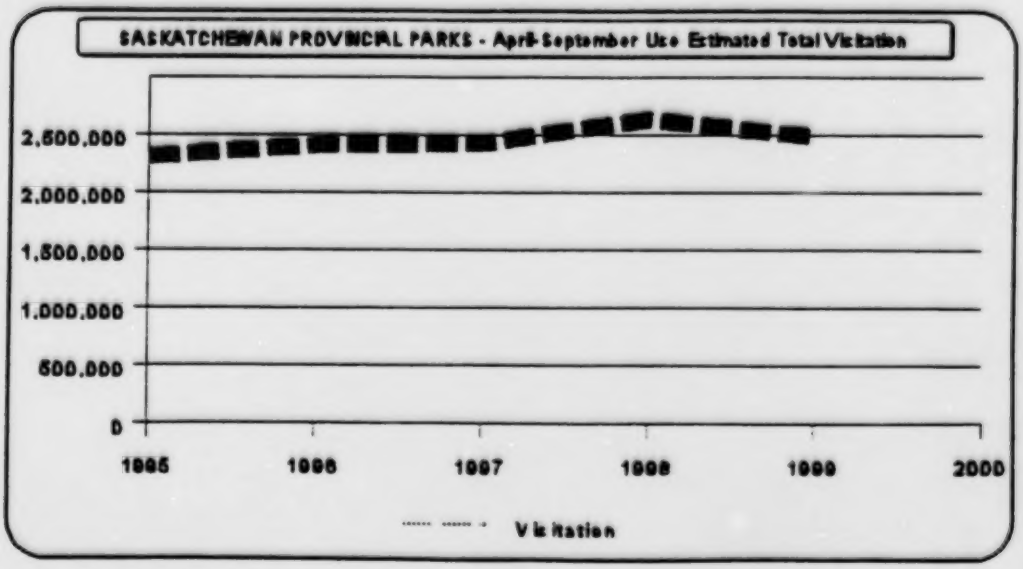
Location	1995	˜ 1996 ˜	˜ 1997 ˜	1998	1999	% Change
Based on Permit Analysis						
Blackstrap	52,111	51,198	41,189	63,483	52,513	-17.3
Buffalo Pound	108,104	101,412	96,952	103,242	96,327	-6.7
Candle Lake	57,894	67,523	70,204	74,972	71,650	-4.4
Cypress Hills	184,945	197,776	195,734	208,103	188,511	-9.4
Douglas	56,040	60,383	58,342	62,685	58,566	-6.6
Duck Mountain	177,947	180,763	178,371	188,344	180,079	-4.4
Echo Valley	111,670	109,880	103,043	108,255	95,283	-12.0
Emma Lake Rec Site***	35,848	42,553	38,235	43,655	42,057	-3.7
Good Spirit Lake	105,283	106,208	114,549	120,132	115,772	-3.6
Greenwater Lake	116,951	130,986	131,165	140,420	134,606	-4.1
Makwa Lake	68,462	66,105	68,361	79,438	72,867	-8.3
Meadow Lake	188,722	229,374	233,575	269,141	262,921	-2.3
Moose Mountain	210,555	215,654	222,193	217,365	210,293	-3.3
Pike Lake	149,355	148,890	144,709	166,519	153,669	-7.7
Rowan's Ravine	82,815	85,823	93,811	104,600	99,706	-4.7
Saskatchewan Landing	90,082	94,410	99,092	111,328	94,838	-14.8
The Battlefords	124,397	129,459	129,440	145,871	144,969	-0.6
Total	**1,921,181**	**2,018,398**	**2,018,966**	**2,207,552**	**2,074,627**	**-6.0**
Based on Traffic Counters						
Crooked Lake	29,000	32,814e	35,000e	37,000e	37,000e	0.0
Danielson	91,356	84,557	91,413	103,605e	87,642	-15.4
Katepwa Point	100,000	90,000e	90,000e	97,000e	95,000e	-2.1
Lac La Ronge	107,211	118,267e	120,000e	120,000e	120,000e	0.0
Narrow Hills	36,989	39,890	40,197	44,813	46,391	3.5
Total	**364,556**	**365,528**	**376,610**	**402,418**	**386,033**	**-4.1**
Based on Hand Counters **						
Cannington Manor	8,834	7,022	6,368	4,482	6,411e	43.0
Fort Carlton	10,124	11,504	10,963	10,863	11,633	7.1
Last Mountain House	2,388*	3,769	2,849	2,111	1,989	-5.8
Wood Mountain Post	2,573	2,009	1,745	1,840	1,910	3.8
Total	**23,919**	**24,304**	**21,925**	**19,296**	**21,943**	**13.7**
GRAND TOTAL	**2,309,656***	**2,408,230**	**2,417,501**	**2,629,266**	**2,482,603**	**-5.6**

Note: Slight discrepancies in addition of columns is due to rounding in the program.
e = estimate, Cannington Manor estimated 5 weeks for Aug. 99.
* Numbers were amended to reflect only April - September use; previously reported numbers included winter use
** No visitor counts are kept for the other five historic class parks
*** Does not include camping figures from Anglin Lake.
˜ Visitation figures for 1996 and 1997 revised based on recalculation of seasonal camper data (December 1998) ˜
This report summarizes April-September use; includes day use, camping and cottage use
Notable factors in 1995: Extreme fire season
Notable factors in 1996: Poor weather in spring; revisions to entry permit system required a change to the visitation calculation formula which includes, for 1996 only, an estimate of non-recorded visitation. Changes to entry and camping fees resulted in an entry revenue increase of 19.3% and camping revenue increase of 14.7%
Notable factors in 1997: Recalculation of 1996 visitation for Narrow Hills
Notable factors in 1998: Excellent weather, extreme rainfall in some locations
Notable factors in 1999: Poor weather for much of the summer with frequent rainy periods

SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCIAL PARKS

April to September Use
Estimated Total Visitation





PARK ENTRY PERMITS

All vehicles entering developed portions of provincial parks are required to have a valid entry permit. For increased convenience to the public, transferable annual entry permits are available for purchase at department offices outside parks.

Transferable Annual Entry Permit:	A permit issued upon payment to allow vehicle entry to all provincial parks and recreation sites from April 1 to March 31 of the following year. This permit may be transferred to any vehicle and must be displayed on the inside of a window on the left hand side of the vehicle.
Daily Entry Permit:	Permit issued upon payment to allow vehicle entry to a provincial park or recreation site for a one day period. This permit is valid until 2 pm of the date written on the permit, and must be affixed to the inside of a window on the left hand side of the vehicle.
3 Day Permit:	A permit issued upon payment to allow vehicle entry to a provincial park or recreation site for a three day period. This permit is valid until 2 pm of the date written on the permit, and must be affixed to the inside of a window on the left hand side of the vehicle.
Weekly Permit:	A permit issued upon payment to allow vehicle entry to a provincial park or recreation site for a seven day period. This permit is valid until 2 pm of the date written on the permit, and must be affixed to the inside of the window on the left side of the vehicle.
One-Hour Permit:	Courtesy permit issued to a driver of a vehicle who delivers goods or services to a provincial park. This permit is also issued to allow a driver to transport persons to and from institutional camps, day use areas or recreation programs within a provincial park or recreation site. The permit does not allow use of park facilities.

Overall increased entry permit sales in 1996 are the result of a policy change that required a valid entry permit to cover every day that a visitor was in the park. Entry permits issued decreased by 6.7 percent in 1999.

TABLE 2: Entry Permits Issued by Park Classification Summary

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	% Change 1999-98
NATURAL ENVIRONMENT PARKS						
Cypress Hills						
Daily	13,216	11,668	10,958	12,335	10,519	-14.7
Three Day*	-	2,988	2,752	3,085	2,715	-12.0
Weekly*	-	1,101	996	1,098	1,134	3.3
Annual*	1,293	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	271	1,531	1,611	1,564	1,517	-3.0
One-Hour	410	81	37	37	227	513.5
Sub Total	**15,190**	**17,369**	**16,354**	**18,119**	**16,112**	**-11.1**
Douglas						
Daily	2,172	2,360	2,291	2,537	2,309	-9.0
Three Day*	-	391	407	435	408	-6.2
Weekly*	-	139	123	144	168	16.7
Annual*	506	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	99	629	650	601	621	3.3
One-Hour		162	97	250	391	56.4
Sub Total	**2,777**	**3,681**	**3,568**	**3,967**	**3,897**	**-1.8**
Duck Mountain						
Daily	7,561	6,630	6,664	7,041	7,149	1.5
Three Day*	-	1,269	1,273	1,266	1,292	2.1
Weekly*	-	489	520	552	521	-5.6
Annual*	1,434	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	454	1,683	1,619	1,699	1,645	-3.2
One-Hour	471	515	300	294	345	17.3
Sub Total	**9,920**	**10,586**	**10,376**	**10,852**	**10,952**	**0.9**
Good Spirit Lake						
Daily	5,247	4,949	5,370	5,816	5,577	-4.1
Three Day*	-	728	687	634	669	5.5
Weekly*	-	305	287	299	316	5.7
Annual*	1,083	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	293	1,127	1,232	1,297	1,249	-3.7
One-Hour	44	118	9	1	6	500.0
Sub Total	**6,667**	**7,227**	**7,585**	**8,047**	**7,817**	**-2.9**
Greenwater Lake						
Daily	5,997	5,199	5,313	5,466	5,470	0.1
Three Day*	-	1,251	1,173	1,353	1,216	-10.1
Weekly*	-	464	468	552	445	-19.4
Annual*	1,162	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	402	1,374	1,399	1,502	1,559	3.8
One-Hour	164	291	270	234	108	-53.8
Sub Total	**7,725**	**8,579**	**8,623**	**9,107**	**8,798**	**-3.4**

* Changes introduced in 1996: introduction of three day and weekly entry permits; elimination of annual permits (transferable only)

TABLE 2: Entry Permits Issued by Park Classification (continued)

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	% Change 1999-98
Makwa Lake						
Daily	2,988	2,048	2,047	2,273	2,232	-1.8
Three Day*	-	577	486	578	525	-9.2
Weekly*	-	285	317	400	332	-17.0
Annual*	504	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	150	740	742	809	811	0.2
One-Hour	205	247	104	1	18	1700.0
Sub Total	**3,847**	**3,897**	**3,696**	**4,061**	**3,918**	**-3.5**
Meadow Lake						
Daily	6,959	4,742	5,407	6,096	5,570	-8.6
Three Day*	-	1,928	1,870	2,285	2,375	3.9
Weekly*	-	1,422	1,595	1,975	2,046	3.6
Annual*	1,257	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	435	2,101	2,158	2,443	2,375	-2.8
One-Hour	349	271	259	232	305	31.5
Sub Total	**9,000**	**10,464**	**11,289**	**13,031**	**12,671**	**-2.8**
Moose Mountain						
Daily	11,779	9,086	10,057	9,761	10,226	4.8
Three Day*	-	2,304	2,143	2,110	2,020	-4.3
Weekly*	-	530	509	552	506	-8.3
Annual*	2,004	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	501	1,959	2,026	1,846	1,813	-1.8
One-Hour	471	334	62	101	148	46.5
Sub Total	**14,755**	**14,213**	**14,797**	**14,370**	**14,713**	**2.4**
Narrow Hills						
Daily	508	531	597	565	546	-3.4
Three Day*	-	189	233	215	201	-6.5
Weekly*	-	69	62	90	70	-22.2
Annual*	176	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	49	304	308	434	437	0.7
Sub Total	**733**	**1,093**	**1,200**	**1,304**	**1,254**	**-3.8**
Saskatchewan Landing						
Daily	3,731	4,570	4,735	4,755	4,169	-12.3
Three Day*	-	466	418	500	410	-18.0
Weekly*	-	142	157	185	172	-7.0
Annual*	935	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	316	1,110	1,054	1,187	1,011	-14.8
One-Hour	536	74	101	90	29	-67.8
Sub Total	**5,518**	**6,362**	**6,465**	**6,717**	**5,791**	**-13.8**

* Changes introduced in 1996: introduction of three day and weekly entry permits; elimination of annual permits (transferable only)

TABLE 2: Entry Permits Issued by Park Classification (continued)

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	% Change 1999-98
RECREATION PARKS						
Blackstrap						
Daily	4,076	4,491	4,202	7,407	5,062	-31.7
Three Day*	-	82	81	161	106	-34.2
Weekly*	-	5	6	27	10	-63.0
Annual*	940	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	201	776	562	762	763	0.1
One-Hour	21	21	30	13	2	-84.6
Sub Total	**5,238**	**5,375**	**4,881**	**8,370**	**5,943**	**-29.0**
Buffalo Pound						
Daily	6,226	5,748	5,275	6,100	5,560	-8.9
Three Day*	-	380	302	391	291	-25.6
Weekly*	-	136	121	105	137	30.5
Annual*	1,258	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	363	1,319	1,187	1,273	1,265	-0.6
One-Hour	156		30	9		-
Sub Total	**8,003**	**7,583**	**6,915**	**7,878**	**7,253**	**-7.9**
Candle Lake						
Daily	3,580	3,348	3,140	3,038	3,021	-0.6
Three Day*	-	853	705	746	798	7.0
Weekly*	-	329	297	327	363	11.0
Annual*	515	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	59	687	756	798	787	-1.4
Sub Total	**4,154**	**5,217**	**4,898**	**4,909**	**4,969**	**1.2**
Crooked Lake						
Daily	632	777	501	502	587	16.9
Three Day*	-	126	70	121	121	0.0
Weekly*	-	14	26	20	26	30.0
Annual*	159	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	46	198	189	159	188	18.2
Sub Total	**837**	**1,115**	**786**	**802**	**922**	**15.0**
Danielson						
Daily	832	1,037	883	679	988	45.5
Three Day*	-	158	106	104	114	9.6
Weekly*	-	13	15	11	29	163.6
Annual*	266	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	73	365	318	246	256	4.1
One-Hour					65	-
Sub Total	**1,171**	**1,573**	**1,322**	**1,040**	**1,452**	**39.6**

* Changes introduced in 1996: introduction of three day and weekly entry permits; elimination of annual permits (transferable only)

TABLE 2: Entry Permits Issued by Park Classification (continued)

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	% Change 1999-98
Echo Valley						
Daily	5,137	5,685	4,468	5,439	4,264	-21.6
Three Day*	-	619	451	438	411	-6.2
Weekly*	-	86	91	124	81	-34.7
Annual*	1,130	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	220	1,110	1,055	1,015	927	-8.7
One-Hour	4	67	12		7	-
Sub Total	**6,491**	**7,567**	**6,077**	**7,016**	**5,690**	**-18.9**
Pike Lake						
Daily	11,245	11,923	12,013	15,054	12,271	-18.5
Three Day*	-	825	638	787	626	-20.5
Weekly*	-	247	253	287	238	-17.1
Annual*	1,576	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	305	1,428	1,327	1,554	1,530	-1.5
One-Hour	684	893	356	242	614	153.7
Sub Total	**13,810**	**15,316**	**14,587**	**17,924**	**15,279**	**-14.8**
Rowan's Ravine						
Daily	2,962	2,596	3,210	3,702	3,224	-12.9
Three Day*	-	464	256	332	330	-0.6
Weekly*	-	90	95	93	104	11.8
Annual*	715	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	157	694	734	794	850	7.1
One-Hour	263	178	177	124	130	4.8
Sub Total	**4,097**	**4,022**	**4,472**	**5,045**	**4,638**	**-8.1**
The Battlefords						
Daily	8,421	6,805	7,688	9,016	9,336	3.5
Three Day*	-	1,318	1,269	1,395	1,187	-14.9
Weekly*	-	318	341	352	353	0.3
Annual*	1,355	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	543	1,577	1,473	1,625	1,703	4.8
One-Hour	449	540	284	312	66	-78.8
Sub Total	**10,768**	**10,558**	**11,055**	**12,700**	**12,645**	**-0.4**
EMMA LAKE REC SITE						
Daily	2,658	2,277	1,994	2,160	2,134	-1.2
Three Day*	-	547	440	453	455	0.4
Weekly*	-	259	246	245	267	9.0
Annual*	196	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	29	427	387	466	472	1.3
One-Hour	20	114	23	8		-
Sub Total	**2,903**	**3,624**	**3,090**	**3,332**	**3,328**	**-0.1**
OTHER LOCATIONS						
Annual*	44	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	15	56	89	7		0.0
Sub Total	**59**	**56**	**89**	**7**	**0**	**-100.0**

* Changes introduced in 1996: introduction of three day and weekly entry permits; elimination of annual permits (transferable only)

TABLE 2: Entry Permits Issued by Park Classification (continued)

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	% Change 1999-98
TOTAL PARK ENTRY PERMITS ISSUED						
Daily	105,927	96,470	96,813	109,742	100,214	-8.7
Three Day*	-	17,463	15,760	17,389	16,270	-6.4
Weekly*	-	6,443	6,525	7,438	7,318	-1.6
Annual*	18,508	-	-	-	-	-
Transferable	4,981	17,463	20,876	22,081	21,779	-1.4
One-Hour	4,247	3,906	2,151	1,948	2,461	26.3
Total Permits	**133,663**	**141,745**	**142,125**	**158,598**	**148,042**	**-6.7**
	(21)	(21)	(21)	(21)	(20)	

Footnote: (#) - Number of locations monitored
Source: Cash Register Information System

* Changes introduced in 1996: introduction of three day and weekly entry permits; elimination of annual permits (transferable only)

PARKS SYSTEM: CAMPING

TERMINOLOGY

Camping facilities are available at all provincial natural environment, recreation and wilderness parks with the exception of Katepwa Point, which is designed for day-use activity. Most recreation sites also offer camping opportunities to the public.

Regular Permit — Issued to an individual or group directly upon payment for a campsite at any provincial park or recreation site.

Reservation Permit — Issued to a camper who uses the Reserve-a-Site Program to guarantee a campsite in advance for a specified date.

Self-Registration Permit — The onus is placed upon the camper to register and pay the prescribed fee for the use of a campsite at a self registration station. Parks staff conduct checks to ensure compliance with proper procedure.

Seasonal Permit — Issued to allow an individual to use a designated seasonal site for the entire summer.

Permit Days — Reflect the number of campsites used in any campground. Regular and reservation permit days are derived from the CRIS system. Self registration permit days are estimated for each individual park or recreation site by dividing the total revenue earned by a weighted fee based upon the relative proportion of available site categories.
A detailed camping permit analysis for all locations has not been undertaken during 1999.

Campsite Designations
Electrical with service centre
Electrical with no service centre
Non-electrical with service centre
Non-electrical with no service centre
Economy/Overflow

PARKS SYSTEM YEAR OVER YEAR CAMPING ACTIVITY

Table 3 summarizes camping permit days in provincial park campgrounds. Camping permit days remained stable with an increase of .1 percent.
Table 4 summarizes recorded permit days at provincial recreation site campgrounds. Permit days increased by 6.6 percent.
Table 5 summarizes the seasonal camping program for 1999. The number of seasonal camping permits increased by 6.5 percent.

TABLE 3: Provincial Park Campgrounds - Permit Days

Provincial Park	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
NATURAL ENVIRONMENT PARKS					
Cypress Hills					
Regular	23,824	21,202	20,722	23,855	19,624
Reservation	746	2,884	2,769	2,320	3,752
Seasonal	1,100	1,320	1,210	1,100	1,320
Self Registration	1,442	1,506	1,460	1,508	1,889
School/Youth Group	2,530	1,948	2,432	3,545	4,568
Permit Days	**29,642**	**28,860**	**28,593**	**32,328**	**31,153**
Douglas					
Regular	6,196	6,277	6,423	6,750	7,210
Reservation	291				
Seasonal	4,015	4,235	3,300	4,070	4,070
Self Registration	191	184	194	239	146
School/Youth Group	238	74	61	239	218
Permit Days	**10,931**	**10,770**	**9,978**	**11,298**	**11,644**
Duck Mountain					
Regular	9,579	8,267	7,958	8,880	8,799
Reservation	2,341	2,685	3,009	3,294	2,199
Seasonal	7,040	5,940	5,170	5,720	6,380
Self Registration	86	150	110	84	362
School/Youth Group	612	512	492	245	139
Permit Days	**19,658**	**17,554**	**16,739**	**18,223**	**17,879**
Good Spirit Lake					
Regular	7,204	7,808	7,980	8,799	9,087
** Monthly		155	279	217	120
Seasonal		770	1,430	1,430	1,595
Self Registration	1,187	1,186	545	134	89
School/Youth Group	22	62	236	70	238
Permit Days	**8,413**	**9,981**	**10,470**	**10,650**	**11,129**
Greenwater Lake					
Regular	6,694	6,804	6,527	6,847	6,562
Reservation	1,260	1,497	1,812	2,104	2,080
Seasonal		220	660	660	
School/Youth Group	271	262	410	318	62
Permit Days	**8,225**	**8,783**	**9,409**	**9,929**	**8,704**

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TABLE 3: Provincial Park Campgrounds - Permit Days (continued)

Provincial Park	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Lac La Ronge					
Regular	5,179*	6,003*	5,428*	5,758*	4,953*
Seasonal	1,320	880	1,155	825	935
School/Youth Group	1,147	416	309	750	1,117
Permit Days	**7,646**	**7,299**	**6,892**	**7,333**	**7,005**
Makwa Lake					
Regular	9,675	8,549	9,331	10,360	10,773
Monthly				310	300
Seasonal	2,860	2,420	2,530	3,080	2,970
School/Youth Group	464	188	252	254	235
Permit Days	**12,999**	**11,157**	**12,113**	**14,004**	**14,278**
Meadow Lake					
Regular	7,767	11,035	13,335	16,342	16,362
Reservation	3,816	3,022	2,035	1,264	5,735
Seasonal	1,650	1,760	2,585	2,475	3,080
Self Registration	8,514	6,374	6,019	9,407	5,059
School/Youth Group	122	902	812	776	1,123
Permit Days	**21,869**	**23,093**	**24,786**	**30,264**	**31,359**
Moose Mountain					
Regular	11,415	10,990	10,400	9,811	11,429*
Reservation	1,551	1,309	1,152	1,166	
Seasonal	1,210	1,375	2,145	1,870	2,420
Self Registration	95	3		173	112
School/Youth Group	1,251	655	1,047	1,242	865
Permit Days	**15,522**	**14,332**	**14,744**	**14,262**	**14,826**
Narrow Hills					
Regular	235	275	285	427	381
Seasonal	2,200	1,540	1,650	1,925	2,420
Self Registration	1,930	2,143	2,015	2,602	3,112
School/Youth Group		264	327	172	106
Permit Days	**4,365**	**4,222**	**4,277**	**5,126**	**6,019**
Saskatchewan Landing					
Regular	6,175	6,700	6,570	6,529	6,627
Seasonal	5,830	5,170	6,930	7,700	7,590
Self Registration	544	797	233	454	228
School/Youth Group	382	132	51	251	191
Permit Days	**12,931**	**12,799**	**13,784**	**14,934**	**14,636**

* Includes reservation permits

TABLE 3: Provincial Park Campgrounds - Permit Days (continued)

Provincial Park	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
RECREATION PARKS					
Blackstrap					
Seasonal		110	110		220
Self Registration	1,337	1,172	968	1,218	1,448
School/Youth Group	69	95	92	32	30
Permit Days	**1,406**	**1,377**	**1,170**	**1,250**	**1,698**
Buffalo Pound					
Regular	8,422	8,127	7,644	8,722	8,711
Seasonal	3,630	3,465	3,795	3,135	3,300
Self Registration	206	145	221	191	71
School/Youth Group	965	771	1,041	1,422	448
Permit Days	**13,223**	**12,508**	**12,701**	**13,470**	**12,530**
Candle Lake					
Regular	9,116	10,250	10,371	11,590	11,129
Reservation	1,159	644	285	247	423
Seasonal	880	990	1,320	1,430	1,760
Self Registration		61	119	65	34
School/Youth Group	219	196	706	336	168
Permit Days	**11,374**	**12,141**	**12,801**	**13,668**	**13,514**
Crooked Lake					
Regular		1,273	749	835	971
Reservation					35
** Monthly		217	217	217	240
Seasonal	440	550	880	385	220
Self Registration	2,109	621	690	1,019	861
Permit Days	**2,549**	**2,661**	**2,536**	**2,456**	**2,327**
Danielson					
Seasonal	165	385	385	220	1,045
Self Registration	2,305	2,307	2,029	2,090	2,201
School/Youth Group	92				
Permit Days	**2,562**	**2,692**	**2,414**	**2,310**	**3,246**
Echo Valley					
Regular	9,032	8,506	6,876	7,313	6,835
Monthly				217	330
Seasonal	6,875	6,600	6,655	6,820	7,205
Self Registration	539	485	204	478	1,007
School/Youth Group	1,746	2,268	1,524	1,393	1,702
Permit Days	**18,192**	**17,859**	**15,259**	**16,221**	**17,079**

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TABLE 3: Provincial Park Campgrounds - Permit Days (continued)

Provincial Park	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Pike Lake					
Regular	10,850	10,055	9,761	11,768	10,400
Seasonal	1,650	2,420	2,530	2,805	2,970
Self Registration	131	15	34	60	85
School/Youth Group	1,538	1,879	1,595	1,638	1,854
Permit Days	**14,169**	**14,369**	**13,920**	**16,271**	**15,309**
Rowan's Ravine					
Regular	5,222	4,435	4,227	4,551	5,621
Seasonal	10,285	11,275	11,880	12,045	13,090
Self Registration	525	1,054	960	1,390	31
School/Youth Group	295	311	261	217	175
Permit Days	**16,327**	**17,075**	**17,328**	**18,203**	**18,917**
The Battlefords					
Regular	10,206	8,877	8,819	10,868	10,204
Seasonal	2,200	2,035	2,310	2,970	2,805
School/Youth Group	579	322	170	315	448
Permit Days	**12,985**	**11,234**	**11,299**	**14,153**	**13,457**
HISTORIC PARKS					
Fort Carlton					
Regular		99	88	49	38
Self Registration			1		
School/Youth Group				488	461
Permit Days	**0**	**99**	**89**	**537**	**499**
TOTAL PROVINCIAL PARK CAMPGROUND PERMIT DAYS					
Regular *	146,791 *	145,532 *	143,494 *	160,054 *	155,716
Reservation	11,164	12,041	11,062	10,395	14,224
Monthly		372	496	961	990
Seasonal	53,350	53,460	58,630	60,665	65,395
Self Registration	21,141	18,203	15,802	21,112	16,735
School/Youth Group	12,542	11,257	11,818	13,703	14,148
Total Permit Days	**244,988** (20)	**240,865** (21)	**241,302** (21)	**266,890** (21)	**267,208** (21)

(#) Represents number of locations monitored
Source: Cash Register Information System

* Includes reservation permits

TABLE 4: Provincial Recreation Site Campgrounds - Permit Days

Recreation Site	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Amisk Lake-Sand Beach					
Self Registration		73	130	110	88
Permit Days		**73**	**130**	**110**	**88**
Anglin Lake					
Seasonal	2,420	2,200	1,375	2,035	2,860
Self Registration	1,691	898	1,059	1,497	1,839
Permit Days	**4,111**	**3,098**	**2,434**	**3,532**	**4,699**
Beatty Lake					
Self Registration		63	23	12	
Permit Days		**63**	**23**	**12**	****
Beaver/ Cowan River					
Self Registration		45	37	12	
Permit Days		**45**	**37**	**12**	****
Bronson Forest					
Regular	1,828	1,431	1,749	1,728	96
Seasonal	880	1,100	880	990	1,100
Self Registration					1,645
Permit Days	**2,708**	**2,531**	**2,629**	**2,718**	**2,841**
Chitek Lake					
Regular		70	2		
Seasonal	550	550	990	990	660
Self Registration	2,450	1,862	1,553	1,891	2,074
Permit Days	**3,000**	**2,482***	**2,545**	**2,881**	**2,734**
Coldwell Park					
Self Registration	220	201	161	107	133
School/Youth Group					80
Permit Days	**220**	**201**	**161**	**107**	**213**
Cowan Dam					
Self Registration		366	367		
Permit Days		**366**	**367**	**	
Emma Lake					
Regular	6,351	6,711	6,247	7,356	7,739
Reservation	1,130	1,207	1,227	1,411	1,445
Self Registration	3		2		
School/Youth Group	457	670	800	779	922
Permit Days	**7,941**	**8,588**	**8,276**	**9,546**	**10,106**
Granite Lake					
Self Registration		83	102	68	37
Permit Days		**83**	**102**	**68**	**37**

* Lac Eauclaire Campground leased in 1996
** Cowan Dam Campground leased in 1998
**** Beaver/ Cowan River Campground and Beatty Lake Campground leased in 1999

TABLE 4: Provincial Recreation Site Campgrounds - Permit Days

Recreation Site	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Hanson Lake					
Self Registration		313	372	375	206
Permit Days		**313**	**372**	**375**	**206**
Jan Lake					
Regular				246	
Permit Days				**246*** **	
Leaf Rapids					
Self Registration		226	191	80	113
Permit Days		**226**	**191**	**80**	**113**
Ruby Lake					
Regular		9	17	2	5
Permit Days		**9**	**17**	**2**	**5**
Sawmill Bay					
Self Registration					31
Permit Days					**31**
Tyrrell Lake					
Self Registration		13	17	29	38
Permit Days		**13**	**17**	**29**	**38**
Woody River					
Regular		672	629	756	724
Seasonal		275	220	220	220
Permit Days		**947**	**849**	**976**	**944**
TOTAL RECREATION SITES					
Regular	8,179	8,893	8,644	10,088	8,564
Reservation	1,130	1,207	1,227	1,411	1,445
Seasonal	3,850	4,125	3,465	4,235	4,840
Self Registration	4,364	4,143	3,368	4,181	6,204
School/Youth Group	457	670	800	779	1,002
Total Permit Days	**17,980** (5)	**19,038** (15)	**17,504** (15)	**20,694** (15)	**22,055** (13)

Note: Totals are different from previous reports as several locations have been added
(#) Represents the number of locations monitored
Source: Cash Register Information System

*** Jan Lake Campground operated by SERM May - July 1, then leased
**** Beaver/ Cowan River Campground and Beatty Lake Campground leased in 1999

TABLE 5: Seasonal Camping Program

	1995		1996		1997		1998		1999	
	Sites Available	Permits Issued	Sites Available	Permits Issued	Sites Available	Permits Issued	Sites Available	Permits Issued	Sites Available	Permits Issued
NATURAL ENVIRONMENT PARKS										
Cypress Hills	12	10	12	12	12	11	12	10	12	12
Douglas	30	37	30	39	30	30	40	38	36	37
Duck Mountain	60	64	60	54	59	47	60	52	59	58
Good Spirit Lake	5		12	7	13	13	13	13	16	15
Greenwater Lake				2		6		7		
Lac La Ronge	21	14	21	9	21	11	40	8	45	9
Makwa Lake	27	26	28	22	29	25	28	28	28	27
Meadow Lake	51	16	51	17	50	25	50	24	50	28
Moose Mountain	20	11	29	14	28	23	29	20	29	23
Narrow Hills	20	22	20	15	20	16	20	20	20	23
Saskatchewan Landing	53	53	47	47	65	63	66	70	71	67
Sub Total	**299**	**253**	**310**	**238**	**327**	**270**	**358**	**290**	**366**	**299**
RECREATION PARKS										
Blackstrap	6		6	1	6	1	6		6	2
Buffalo Pound	40	37	31	34	48	37	27	31	26	30
Candle Lake	11	8	12	9	12	12	13	13	13	16
Crooked Lake	6	4	6	5	6	8	7	4	7	2
Danielson	10	2	10	4	10	4	10	2	10	11
Echo Valley	60	63	60	61	70	62	70	62	70	66
Pike Lake	34	17	34	22	34	23	28	26	28	27
Rowan's Ravine	109	96	109	104	108	108	110	110	119	119
The Battlefords	39	21	27	19	39	22	39	27	35	27
Sub Total	**315**	**248**	**295**	**259**	**333**	**277**	**310**	**275**	**314**	**300**
RECREATION SITES										
Anglin Lake	20	22	20	20	20	13	20	19	20	26
Bronson Forest	10	8	10	10	10	8	10	9	10	10
Chitek Lake	5	5	9	5	9	9	9	9	9	6
Emma Lake	16		15		15		15		15	
Woody River			3	3		2		2		2
Sub Total	**51**	**35**	**57**	**38**	**54**	**32**	**54**	**39**	**54**	**44**
Grand Total	**665**	**536**	**662**	**535**	**714**	**579**	**722**	**604**	**734**	**643**

PARKS SYSTEM: PROGRAMS

PARK VISITOR PROGRAM STATISTICS

This section presents information on leisure activities carried on throughout the park system, including natural and human history interpretive, school group programs, instructional (eg: swimming lessons) and recreational (eg: nature trail hiking, special events) programs. Program attendance at provincial historic parks is measured through the use of hand counters, thus allowing for the comparison of the data. Statistical reporting procedures for participation levels at other provincial parks and major recreation sites have changed during the last decade, causing inconsistencies in the data base at the individual park level.

Park Programs

Participation data for programs offered at provincial natural environment, recreation and historic parks are summarized in **Tables 6** and **7.** The nature of the programs vary with each category.

Provincial natural environment/recreation park programs entail scheduled activities which are available to park visitors, ranging from water safety demonstrations and guided nature hikes to evening campfire presentations. Since participation in these programs is recorded at each event individually, participants may be recounted if they participate in more than one program.

In contrast, historic park programs are carried out continuously during the hours of operation. The number of program participants is therefore equal to the number of daily visitors. Special programs are offered to visiting school groups.

The statistics provided do not include the significant numbers of persons using self-use facilities within the park. The department is presently not able to record the majority of this use. This includes self-use interpretive trails, auto tours and interpretive displays. Parks including Cypress Hills, Saskatchewan Landing, Greenwater Lake, Meadow Lake, Duck Mountain, Moose Mountain and Pike Lake also offer self-use education kits.

Provincial Parks System Programs by Park Category

Table 6 summarizes program and participation levels at individual provincial parks for 1996 to 1999. "School" programs are offered to students and youth groups who participate in a specific program as part of a school group visit. "Other" programs are arranged on request for groups other than schools and youth groups. "Casual" programs refer to other programs which are designed for all park visitors.

TABLE 6 Number of Conducted Programs by Visitor Type 1996-99
6.1 Natural Environment Parks

PARK	VISITOR TYPE	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS				NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS			
		1996	1997	1998	1999	1996	1997	1998	1999
Cypress Hills	School	80	139	177	199	1,803	2,805	3,377	3,242
	Casual	256	225	257	231	13,350	9,927	15,038	12,265
	Other	11	12	23	12	149	575	528	308
	Total	**347**	**376**	**457**	**442**	**15,302**	**13,307**	**18,943**	**15,815**
Douglas	School	7	5	2	7	157	164	50	134
	Casual	55	64	39	44	1501	1436	894	1,307
	Other	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	8
	Total	**62**	**69**	**41**	**52**	**1,658**	**1,600**	**944**	**1,449**
Duck Mountain	School	28	19	19	7	492	406	486	198
	Casual	114	119	122	80	5,176	9,638	6,639	5,067
	Other	0	1	5	-	-	44	78	-
	Total	**142**	**139**	**146**	**87**	**5,668**	**10,088**	**7,203**	**5,265**
Greenwater Lake	School	48	∫47	61	51	1,132	∫886	1,263	1,063
	Casual	73	48	75	81	8,536	4,617	6,118	5,896
	Other	1	6	3	7	38	70	185	179
	Total	**122**	**∫101**	**139**	**139**	**9,706**	**∫5,573**	**7,566**	**7,138**
Good Spirit Lake	School	3	∫4	5	19	112	∫150	82	353
	Casual	109	116	110	97	4,589	2,642	3,725	3,542
	Other	1	5	2	5	18	225	24	84
	Total	**113**	**∫225**	**117**	**121**	**4,719**	**∫3,017**	**3,831**	**3,979**
Lac La Ronge	School	n/a	4	9	2	n/a	244	294	48
	Casual	12	4	2	3	109	480	48	199
	Other	n/a	5	4	0	n/a	89	162	0
	Total	**12**	**13**	**15**	**5**	**109**	**813**	**504**	**247**
Makwa Lake *	School	n/a	4	4	0	n/a	117	263	0
	Casual	n/a	24	39	0	n/a	403	3,072	0
	Other	n/a	-	n/a	0	n/a	-	n/a	0
	Total	**n/a**	**28**	**43**	**0**	**n/a**	**520**	**3,335**	**0***
Meadow Lake ʕ	School	ʕ19	21	50	68	331	820	761	2,238
	Casual	115	127	126	153	6,372	8,131	8,519	11,211
	Other	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	8
	Total	**134**	**148**	**177**	**222**	**6,703**	**8,951**	**9,280**	**13,457**
Moose Mountain	School	86	∫104	107	70	1,302	∫1,338	1,260	932
	Casual	130	134	107	109	5,166	9,815	6,394	5,472
	Other	6	12	6	35	232	169	94	385
	Total	**222**	**∫250**	**220**	**214**	**6,700**	**∫11,322**	**7,748**	**6,789**
Saskatchewan Landing	School	29	36	29	29	948	1,019	826	660
	Casual	46	64	54	73	3,258	3,020	2,823	3,262
	Other	-	5	3	3	-	149	242	35
	Total	**75**	**105**	**86**	**105**	**4,206**	**4,178**	**3,891**	**3,957**
Sub-Total: Natural Environment Parks	School	300	383	463	452	6277	7,949	8,662	8,868
	Casual	910	925	931	871	48,057	50,109	53,270	48,221
	Other	19	46	47	64	437	1,321	1,313	1,007
	Total	**1,229**	**1,354**	**1,441**	**1,441**	**54,771**	**59,379**	**63,245**	**58,096**

ʕ As of 1996, Meadow Lake Program Statistics no longer include waterfront program activities led by waterfront staff.
∫ Numbers may not be accurate due to inconsistency of recording number of programs and participants.
* Makwa Lake Provincial Park did not have park visitor program staff for the summer of 1999.

6.2 Recreation Parks

Park	Visitor Type	Number of Programs			Number of Participants		
		1997	1998	1999	1997	1998	1999
The Battlefords	School	8	40	49	236	1,320	979
	Casual	77	93	99	4,501	5,055	4,927
	Other	-	1	1	-	50	7
	Total	**85**	**134**	**149**	**4,737**	**6,425**	**5,913**
Buffalo Pound	School	9	9	6	156	61	166
	Casual	52	49	33	1,504	2,608	2,276
	Other	4	4	8	236	88	116
	Total	**65**	**62**	**47**	**1,896**	**2,757**	**2,558**
Echo Valley	School	37	22	39	773	421	654
	Casual	140	71	88	3,150	2,592	3,466
	Other	5	5	2	96	120	36
	Total	**182**	**98**	**129**	**4,019**	**3,133**	**4,156**
Pike Lake	School	47	77	78	807	1,029	1,312
	Casual	90	74	76	4,919	3,010	3,162
	Other	4	5	4	206	62	76
	Total	**210**	**176**	**158**	**7,106**	**4,176**	**4,550**
Rowan's Ravine	School	3	11	0	180	92	0
	Casual	50	79	79	3,712	6,052	6,178
	Other	-	-	3	-	-	78
	Total	**55**	**90**	**82**	**3,952**	**6,144**	**6,256**
Sub-Total: Recreation Parks	School	104	159	172	2,152	2,923	3,111
	Casual	409	366	375	17,786	19,317	20,009
	Other	13	15	18	538	320	313
	Total	**597**	**560**	**565**	**21,770**	**22,635**	**23,433**

6.3 Historic Parks

PARK	VISITOR TYPE	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS					NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS				
		1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Cannington Manor	School	28	25	36	31	19	893	601	989	866	503
	Casual	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	7,437	6,360	5,222	3,564	5,746
	Other	10	2	4	4	10	504	61	157	52	162
	Total	**38**	**27**	**40**	**35**	**29**	**8,834**	**7,022**	**6,368**	**4,482**	**6,411***
Fort Carlton	School	112	121	119	116	117	4,498	4,863	4,511	4,829	4,750
	Casual	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	4,958	5,828	5,609	5,459	6,567
	Other	21	33	35	19	18	668	813	843	575	316
	Total	**133**	**154**	**154**	**135**	**135**	**10,124**	**11,504**	**10,963**	**10,863**	**11,633**
Last Mountain House ▲	School	N/A	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	152	0	0	0
	Casual	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2,388	3,617	2,849	2,056	1,989
	Other	0	2	0	3	0	0	16	0	55	0
	Total	**0**	**5**	**0**	**3**	**0**	**2,388**	**3,785**	**2,849**	**2,111**	**1,989**
Wood Mountain Post	School	30	22	16	16	20	608	392	228	435	490
	Casual	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,811	1,329	1,398	1,209	1,296
	Other	6	8	5	7	5	154	288	119	196	124
	Total	**36**	**30**	**21**	**23**	**25**	**2,573**	**2,009**	**1,745**	**1,840**	**1,910**
Sub-total: Historic Parks	School	170	171	171	164	156	5,999	6,008	5,728	6,130	5,743
	Casual	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	16,594	17,134	15,078	12,288	15,598
	Other	37	45	44	32	33	1,326	1,178	1,119	878	602
	Total	**207**	**216**	**215**	**196**	**189**	**23,919**	**24,320**	**21,925**	**19,296**	**21,943**

* Cannington Manor - estimated 5 weeks of statistics for August

▲ Does not include Winter Program statistics

TABLE 7 - Conducted "School/Youth" Group Use in 1999

7.1 Recreation Parks and Major Recreation Sites

Park	Visitor Type	No. of Groups	No. in Group	No. of Programs	No. of Participants
The Battlefords	School	14	558	49	979
	Other	1	30	1	7
	Total	**15**	**588**	**50**	**986**
Buffalo Pound	School	6	132	6	166
	Other	2	116	8	116
	Total	**8**	**248**	**14**	**282**
Echo Valley	School	26	491	39	654
	Other	2	39	2	36
	Total	**28**	**530**	**41**	**690**
Pike Lake	School	32	1,312	78	1,312
	Other	7	115	4	76
	Total	**39**	**1,427**	**82**	**1,388**
Rowan's Ravine	School	-	-	-	-
	Other	3	78	3	3
	Total	**3**	**78**	**3**	**3**
Sub-Total: Recreation Parks & Sites	School	78	2,493	172	3,111
	Other	15	378	18	238
	Total	**93**	**2,871**	**190**	**3,349**

Other = Youth and other Groups

7.2 1999 School/Other Visitor Program Statistics for Natural Environment Parks

PARK	VISITOR TYPE	NO. OF GROUPS	NO. OF STUDENTS	NO. OF PROGRAMS	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
Cypress Hills	School	65	2,007	199	3,242
	Other	12	352	12	308
	Total	**77**	**2,359**	**211**	**3,550**
Douglas	School	7	134	7	134
	Other	1	8	1	8
	Total	**8**	**142**	**8**	**142**
Duck Mountain	School	5	146	7	198
	Other	0	0	0	0
	Total	**5**	**146**	**7**	**198**
Good Spirit Lake	School	6	169	19	353
	Other	4	54	5	84
	Total	**10**	**223**	**24**	**437**
Greenwater Lake	School	17	560	51	1,063
	Other	6	127	7	179
	Total	**23**	**687**	**58**	**1,242**
Meadow Lake	School	24	1,810	68	2,238
	Other	2	8	1	8
	Total	**26**	**1,818**	**69**	**2,246**
Moose Mountain	School	24	487	70	932
	Other	14	211	35	385
	Total	**38**	**698**	**105**	**1,317**
Saskatchewan Landing	School	10	371	29	660
	Other	4	47	3	35
	Total	**14**	**418**	**32**	**695**
Makwa Lake *	School	0	0	0	0
	Other	0	0	0	0
	Total	0	0	0	0
Lac La Ronge	School	2	48	2	48
	Other	0	0	0	0
	Total	**2**	**48**	**2**	**48**
Sub-Total:	School	160	5,732	452	8,868
	Other	43	815	64	1,007
	Total	**203**	**6,547**	**516**	**9,875**

* Makwa Lake Provincial Park did not have park visitor program staff for the summer of 1999

OTHER STATISTICS

PARKS SYSTEM: COMMERCIAL, CAMPGROUND AND COTTAGE LEASES

COMMERCIAL AND CAMPGROUND LEASES

Tables 8 and **9** summarize the number of leases issued to private individuals allowing them to operate commercial facilities and campgrounds within the parks system.

A total of 86 summer non-campground commercial leases were issued for the 1999 season. Examples include stores, fast food services, boat rentals, riding stables and miniature golf courses.

Commercial leases are also issued to private individuals who wish to operate campgrounds owned by the department. At present there are two provincial park campgrounds leased within Meadow Lake Provincial Park.

Table 9 lists the various recreation site campgrounds which have been leased 1995-1999.

TABLE 8: Summer Commercial Leases Within Provincial Parks and Recreation Sites, 1995-99

Location	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
PROVINCIAL PARKS					
The Battlefords	5	5	5	5	4
Blackstrap	1	1	1	1	1
Buffalo Pound	2	2	2	2	2
Clearwater River					1
Cypress Hills	11	11	10	10	10
Danielson	1	1	1	1	1
Douglas	1	1	1	1	1
Duck Mountain	10	10	10	10	9
Echo Valley	2	2	2	2	2
Fort Carlton	1	1	1	1	1
Good Spirit Lake	2	2	2	2	3
Greenwater Lake	4	4	4	4	5
Katepwa Point	1	1	1	1	1
Makwa Lake	2	2	2	2	2
Meadow Lake	11	12	12	15	13
Moose Mountain	10	11	10	10	10
Pike Lake	3	4	4	4	4
Rowan's Ravine	6	6	6	6	6
Saskatchewan Landing	3	3	3	3	3
RECREATION SITES					
Amisk Lake Sawmill Bay	0	1	1	1	1
Anglin Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Elbow Harbour	3	3	3	3	3
* Moose Jaw Wild Animal Park	1	0	0	0	0
Nesslin Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Valley Centre	1	1	1	1	1
Total	**83**	**86**	**84**	**87**	**86**

Source: Commercial Services Unit, Parks and Special Places Branch

* operated for partial 1995 season

TABLE 9: Campground Leases by Park Category, 1995-99

Location	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
PROVINCIAL PARKS					
Meadow Lake					
Lac Des Iles South	1	1	1	1	1
Howe Bay	0	0	1	1	1
Sub-Total Provincial Parks:	**1**	**1**	**2**	**2**	**2**
MAJOR RECREATION SITES					
Amisk Lake					
Sawmill Bay	0	0	1	1	0
Besant	1	1	1	1	1
Besnard Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Bronson Forest					
Ministikwan Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Delaronde Lake					
Zig Zag Bay	1	1	1	1	1
East Trout Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Etter's Beach	1	1	1	1	1
Jan Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Lac Eauclaire	0	1	1	1	1
Little Bear Lake	1	1	1	1	1
McBride Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Nesslin Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Roche Percee *	1	1	1	0	0
Turtle Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Weyakwin Lake					
Ramsay Bay	1	1	1	1	1
Whiteswan Lake					
Whelan Bay	1	1	1	1	1
Sub-Total Major:	**14**	**15**	**16**	**15**	**14**
CAMPGROUND RECREATION SITES					
Beatty Lake					1
Beaver/Cowan Rivers Junction					1
Big Sandy Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Big Shell Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Bird's Point	1	1	1	1	1
Borden Bridge	1	1	1	1	1

TABLE 9: Campground Leases by Park Category, 1995-99 (continued)

Location	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
CAMPGROUND RECREATION SITES, cont.					
Canoe Lake					
Cole Bay	1	1	1	1	1
Cowan Dam				1	1
D. Gerbrandt	1	1	1	1	1
Dore Lake					
Michel Point	1	1	1	0	0
Tower Beach	0	0	1	0	1
Gordon Lake	1	1	1	0	0
Hackett Lake	1	1	1	1	1
McLean	1	1	1	1	1
Ness Lake	1	1	1	1	1
Piprell Lake	0	0	1	1	1
Sturgeon River **					1
Taylor Lake					1
Tobin Lake					
Carroll's Cove	1	1	1	1	1
Sub-Total Campground:	**12**	**12**	**14**	**12**	**17**
DAY USE AREA RECREATION SITES* **					
Cypress Lake				1	1
Langenburg	1	1	1	1	1
Otapasso Trails	1	1	1	1	1
Raymore	1	1	1	1	1
Riverhurst	1	1	1	1	1
Shirley Lake				1	1
Top Lake				1	1
Sub-Total Day Use Area:	**4**	**4**	**4**	**7**	**7**
Total	**31**	**32**	**36**	**36**	**40**

Source: Parks and Special Places Branch, Commercial Services Unit

* closed in 1998
** new development started in 1999
*** includes: picnic sites, lake access sites and trails

COTTAGE LEASES

Table 10 indicates the number of leases issued to cottagers for cottage subdivision lots within provincial parks and recreation sites.

TABLE 10: Cottage Leases in Provincial Parks and Recreation Sites 1995-99

Provincial Park	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
The Battlefords	42	42	42	42	42
Cypress Hills	204	204	204	204	204
Duck Mountain	325	325	325	325	325
Good Spirit Lake	154	154	154	154	154
Greenwater Lake	198	198	198	198	198
Lac La Ronge	267	266	265	265	265
Meadow Lake	237	237	237	237	237
Moose Mountain	451	451	451	450	450
Narrow Hills	95	95	95	95	95
Pike Lake	138	138	138	138	138
Saskatchewan Landing	33	35	35	36	36
Recreation Site	**1995**	**1996**	**1997**	**1998**	**1999**
Lovering Lake	17	17	17	17	17
Total	**2,161**	**2,162**	**2,161**	**2,161**	**2,161**

Source: Regina Service Bureau